

West Side Department

MAN ARRESTED FOR HAIR CLIPPING

He Was Found in Wilkes-Barre, but Was Not the Right Man.

ADDING MYSTERY TO MYSTERY

Chief-of-Police Pays a Visit to West Side and Then Mrs. James and Her Daughter Visit the Central Police Station--They Said the Man in Custody Was Not the One Who Bound Rosa and Despoiled Her of Her Locks.

That strange case last Tuesday afternoon when some unknown man entered the house of Emanuel James, at the corner of Elm and Washington streets, and after chloroforming Miss Rosa James departed with a braid of her hair is still a mystery.

Last night Chief of Police Robling and Lieutenant Davis were West Side visitors and with them came a young man who was arrested yesterday at Wilkes-Barre on suspicion of his knowing something of the crime. For some reason or other the chief, his lieutenant and their prisoner did not tarry in the West Side precinct, but departed for the central city. About 10 o'clock Mrs. James and her daughter Rosa returned from the central city. The coincidence of the Robling visit and this letter was plain.

A Tribune reporter questioned Mrs. James. She said that she and her daughter had been called before the chief "so that Rosa could give a description of the fellow."

"Did your daughter recognize the man who had been arrested?" was asked. "No," was the reply.

TOLD TO KEEP QUIET. Mrs. James at first would not say that any one had been arrested. Some one told her to keep quiet about this point for the man arrested at Wilkes-Barre by Detective Dyer was innocent and his release was as quick and as silent as his arrest.

She was a young man about 20 years of age, neatly dressed, black tie, white shirt, collar, five feet in height, soft felt hat, and ordinary shoes. The description given to the police by the girl was as follows: Height, 5 feet 10 inches; light complexion, hair cut close, weight, 150 pounds; black derby, long overcoat, size 22; no collar or tie; patent leather shoes. Lieutenant Davis said last night that he did not know the name of the man arrested in Wilkes-Barre and there was no record by which he could refresh his recollection.

The description given by the girl may not be exactly correct. When a Tribune reporter questioned her yesterday regarding the case she said that all she could remember of him was that he wore a derby hat and long overcoat. That was all. Where the rest of the description given to the police was born must be imagined.

There are some people on this side who do not believe the story of the young girl as it was presented in the newspapers. The boldness of the escapade and the unusual actions of the thief while in the house cause a reasonable doubt.

MRS. JAMES INTERVIEWED. It was to go more deeply into the matter that a Tribune reporter visited the James home yesterday afternoon. Mrs. James, a neighbor, Jennie James and Rosa James, the two daughters, were in the house. Mrs. James did most of the talking. Numerous questions drew from her the facts substantially as stated in The Tribune's account.

Mrs. James had left the house shortly after two o'clock, going to another house about one block away. It is Mrs. James who talks.

"I did not hear any screams until I was coming back about 3 o'clock. I thought the house was on fire so I ran down and found her (Rosa) in a chair with her hands tied."

"What kind of a chair?" was asked. "This one," responded Mrs. James, pointing to a light cane-seated chair. The weight is about twelve pounds.

"I don't know how I ever untied her hands," continued Mrs. James. "With what were they tied?" Mrs. James tried to explain and her daughter, Jennie, went into another room and brought out a piece of white binding. It is over a yard long, about one-half inch in width, and running along one edge is a stout string, very strong.

Mrs. James explained that she found the girl sitting in a chair with her hands tied to the central piece on the back. Rosa had recovered from her unconsciousness and was screaming. The girls first words to her mother were "The papers!" Mrs. James went upstairs and found "the papers" all safe in a drawer. The house, says Mrs. James, gave evidence of its being ransacked. Nothing was stolen. A watch and chain were found on the top of some clothes in a basket. Mrs. James thinks that the fellow took the timepiece from a drawer and upon seeing the owner, Emanuel James' name engraved on the inside, he discarded it.

DID NOT TAKE THE CHAIN. "But isn't it funny," put in Miss Jennie, "that he didn't take off the chain. Papa was offered \$75 for it just a short time ago."

"He knew his business," ejaculated Mrs. James. "He had done this kind of thing before."

It seems "funny," as Miss James said, that he didn't take the chain or something after going to all the trouble he did. Nobody saw the fellow depart from the house except, possibly Rosa, who is sure that she saw him. Mrs. James said more, so did Jennie, the 18-year-old girl. But during all the conversation Rosa, the victim, sat in a chair and said nothing. She is fourteen years of age and is quite good looking. On the right side of her head can be seen the marks where her hair was cut. It looks as if an amateur barber had been at work. She sat in the chair to which she was tied during the whole forty-five minutes talk yesterday and during the time uttered but a half dozen words and they were in response to questions by the neighborly woman present and her sister, Jennie. Her mother did not once address her or call the reporter's attention to her.

When finally the girl did talk she told how she was in a buttery and when she came out the man was sitting in a chair, "is your mother in?" he asked. "No," she replied. "He then walked toward her. 'Where's the money?' demanded he. 'I don't know,' replied she. He grabbed her; she did NOT scream, she said.

SAT IN A CHAIR. She simply sat in a chair and remained quietly there while the men went to a machine drawer and got the skirt binding. "Why didn't you scream?" was asked. "I was afraid he would kill me," said Rosa. Then she went on: "He took something from his pocket and placed it to my nose."

The next thing she remembers was the fellow saying "good bye." She then screamed and her mother came in as stated.

"Did you find any of her hair on the floor?" "No," she said.

"The girl's head showed that her hair had been literally chopped. The scalp showed in some places near the forehead. 'No hair was found in the stove. There was no scissors around,'" said Mrs. James.

TO HONOR THE SAINT. One of the staid and pleasant annual events on this side is the St. David's Day entertainment and banquet at the Tabernacle Congregational church. The programme for this year's celebration has been perfected and is given beneath. St. David's Day, by the way, is next Monday.

Address: R. Thomas (Llew Herbert) Song.....By the chairman Song.....Miss Lizzie Williams Song.....Joshua John Song.....Mrs. Fanny Jones-Evans Address of the evening.

W. Gaylord Thomas Song.....Thomas Williams (Eos Cynon) Song.....Phillip Thomas and Joshua John Song.....Mrs. Gwen D. Lewis

Always handling the very best grade of Clothing, what is more natural that we should handle the best Overalls. The best Overall is Orr's. Everybody knows that. But what everybody doesn't know is how we can sell them today for

63 Cents.

Pants Those specials are going fast. Been selling at such a rapid rate that we're running out of the \$1.98 style. Quite a lot left of those at \$1.73 and \$2.90. To fill the price gap we make an unusual cut in a hair line cassimere that's worth nearly double what we ask for it and put 50 pairs on sale today at \$1.98.

Boys' We are naturally the Chief Children's Outfitters of the city. Why? Because we were the first to run a special department for the boys. A department that's bigger than many so-called stores. Mothers turn to Samter's for help in solving the clothing problem. Let us help you. The seat of the trousers goes first, then the knees. Isn't that so? Then, buy the boy a pair of those double-kneed, double-seated pants we're selling today for 45c.

Sweaters Comfort and convenience for the rising generation. What boy doesn't want a sweater? And they're wise things for the mother to buy. Keep the chest warm, prevent colds, health givers and health keepers. We're selling a special value today at 93c, all wool.

Samter Bros.

Song.....Phillip Thomas Chairman, Rev. D. P. Jones; accompanist, Mrs. D. B. Thomas; supper on tables at 6 p. m.; entertainment at 8 p. m. for one hour.

KNIGHTS ENTERTAIN. A great entertainment, tube of delicious coffee, a big pile of sandwiches were present in Ivorite hall last evening when Electric City lodge, No. 213, Knights of Pythias, had a social time.

The programme included Mr. Joseph Murphy, a Hebrew impersonator; William P. Bean, novelty dancer and a "Keltay's Dream;" M. J. Hollman, a clever dancer; B. K. Carling, a funny farmer; John P. Dougherty, in fine flute solos; Campbell and Collins, two youngsters who know how to tumble; and Reese T. Richards, banjoist.

DOWN UNDER THE SOD. The following composed a party which last evening lent its presence to brighten the interior of the Central mine: Misses Minnie Boyce, Jessie Bristol, Louise Davy, Mary Harris, Jennie Price, Edith Jones, Rachel Williams, Lillie Moore, Mary Howard; John Moore, Reuben Staudes, Bert Chase, George Staples, Will Davis, Alf Chase, Fred Reynolds, Frank Boyce and Chester Montgomery, of Philadelphia. The party was in honor of Mr. Montgomery, John Moore, of Frey's gallery, took a flash light picture of the group.

OPERATION PERFORMED. John Davis, of Washington street, who was admitted Tuesday to the West Side hospital, was operated upon yesterday afternoon by the hospital staff. Dr. J. J. Roberts was assisted by Drs. Allen, Williams, Paine, Carroll, Bentley, Beddoe and Reynolds. The operation was adjudged highly successful and last night the patient was resting comfortably.

NEWS NOTES AND PERSONALS. Richard Aswell, contractor is in Buffalo on a business trip.

Mrs. Frank Powell, of Tenth street, entertained friends Wednesday.

A surprise party was given to George Behler at his home at Frink street last evening by his many friends. Those present were: Anton Meyers, Peter Hartman, Bert Hartman, Charles Richter, Eugene Martin, Michael May, Evan Jones, Daniel Hoffman, August Snyder, M. B. Schmelzlin, Fred Bentley, Charles Kline, Misses Annie Seeley, Maggie Schmelzlin, Ada Edwards, Lizzie Herman, Sarah Edwards, Martha Edwards, Emma Wetzel, Mary Myers, Lizzie Kurtz, Belinda Dean, Barbara Kurtz, Esther Daniels, dancing and games were indulged in and a very pleasant time was enjoyed by all. Refreshments were served at a late hour, after which all went away most pleased with the evening.

Miss Alice Thomas, of North Hyde Park avenue, was pleasantly surprised Wednesday evening by her Sunday school class of the Jackson Street Baptist church, in honor of her birthday. Those present were the Misses Elsie Hughes, Ayls Pritchard, Jennie Hughes, Ethel Thomas, Ruth Thomas, Margaret Lane, Margaret Stevens, Lizzie and Anna Davis, Maud Moser, Lizzie Thomas, Gladys Holly, Fredia Lewis, Corine Collins, Margaret Hughes, Bessie Jones, Bertha Royca, Anna Thomas. Miss Thomas was assisted in entertaining the little folks by Misses Lizzie Hetzeroff, Ella Moser, Ray Thomas, Margaret Lane, Barrett, of Coldale; Maggie Thomas, Margaret Ludwig and Emma Ellis. Refreshments were served at an early hour, after which the young folks dispersed, wishing their teacher many happy returns of the day.

A jolly company gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Williams, 126 North Rebecca avenue, Wednesday evening. The time was spent indulging in vocal and instrumental music and games of various kinds. Refreshments were served at 11 o'clock, after which the company departed for their homes.

Those present were: John Stevens, Fred Cole and J. Eberhardt, Mr. and Mrs. James Webb, Misses Hannah Jones, Minnie Thomas and Rachel Roberts.

The Ladies Guild of St. David's Episcopal church served a pleasant but "plain" tea last evening.

Mrs. C. J. Markwick, of Thirteenth street, is seriously ill.

Choice cut flowers and flower designs, at Palmer & McDonalds, 544 Spruce.

West Side Business Directory. HARRIET J. DAVIS, FLORIST--Cut flowers and funeral designs a specialty; 20 South Main avenue; two doors from Jackson street.

MORGAN'S PHARMACY, 301 N. MAIN street. Dispensing prescriptions carefully prepared. Also carrying a full line of drugs and chemicals. A fine assortment of trusses, fine quality link books, varnish stains, colored varnishes, fancy work, artists' materials, window glass, wall paper and electric wiring. Clerk at store all hours of night.

SECOND HAND FURNITURE--Cash for anything you have to sell. Furniture, Stoves, Ranges, Call and see the stock of J. C. King, 701 to 703 West Lackawanna avenue.

BIG COCKING MAN. It Was Held in a Barn at Hamtown, Near Pittston.

One of the most notable cocking mains held in this region for some time took place in an old barn at Hamtown, near Pittston, Wednesday night. Lackawanna birds were pitted against the cream of Luzerne cocking birds. A purse of \$150 and the latter won. The main was attended by about 250 persons, many of whom were from this city. Seven battles were fought and they resulted as follows:

First battle--Luzerne presented a 4-pound black red and Lackawanna a 4-pound Spangle. Luzerne won in jig time.

Second battle--Luzerne brought out a 6-pound Dorsing grey, Lackawanna a 6-pound Dutch grey. The Luzerne bird turned tail and fled.

Third battle--Luzerne a 4-pound black red, Lackawanna a 4-pound dark red. Luzerne won.

Fourth battle--Lackawanna a 4-pound, 4-ounce grey, Luzerne a 4-pound 12-ounce black red. After a savage fight the Luzerne bird won, breaking the Lackawanna bird's thigh.

Fifth battle--Lackawanna a 5-pound Dominique, Luzerne a 5-pound white buff. The Luzerne bird won.

Sixth battle--Black red pitted by Lackawanna against a blue by Luzerne. Won by Lackawanna.

Seventh battle--Lackawanna pitted a Japanese bird against a yellow-legged one by Luzerne. The latter won, giving the majority of battles to Luzerne.

Rheumatism Cured in a Day. "Mystic Cure" for rheumatism and neuralgia radically cures in one to three days. Its action upon the system is remarkable and mysterious. It removes at once the cause and the disease immediately disappears. The first dose greatly benefits. 75 cents. Sold by Carl Lorenz, 418 Lackawanna avenue, druggist, Scranton.

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R. W. Kellow, of Monsey avenue, has been elected to the position of clerk to attend to business for the past few days.

William H. Lanyon, C. W. Treverton, O. L. Colvin and W. H. Treverton, the directors of the Asbury Epworth league, are asked to bring with them a contribution to the relief of Mr. L. F. Bower, 728 Green Ridge street, at 7:30 sharp.

The Baptist People's union of the Baptist church will hold a "poverty" social tonight at the home of the pastor, Rev. W. J. Ford.

DUNMORE. Master Floyd Crabbs, of Fourth street, attracted his first interest yesterday, in consequence of this event a number of his young companions tendered him a very pleasant birthday party yesterday afternoon. Those present were Grace Robinson, Mary Glenerson, Grace Mitchell, Leah Bogart, Blanche Mitchell, Elsie and Marion Moffatt, Wilber Wilds, George Crabbs, Fred Cole, J. Eberhardt, Mosgrove, Guy Tresler and Ray Tresler. The afternoon was thoroughly enjoyed by the young people. Floyd received many presents and the enthusiastic should patronize him when the ally is completed.

The cantata, "Shiloh," was presented to a good-sized audience at the Father Matthew hall last evening. The following programme was excellently rendered: Opening music, Chairman F. E. Davis; cantata, part first; recitation, A. F. Doud; solo, W. T. Jones; recitation, Will Jones; cantata, part second; vocal, mental music, tambores and fan drill. Over eighty well-trained voices took part in the cantata. John R. George, musical director, conducted the cantata. The cantata was a masterpiece of bringing the singer to the acme of perfection. The proceeds will go to the Greenwood Presbyterian church.

NEW LABOR UNIONS. New Organizations of Machine Woodworkers and Pattern Makers. Local union, No. 26, of the Machine Woodworkers union, was organized last evening by P. J. Thomas, of this city, general organizer of the American Federation of Labor in Ancient Order United Workmen's hall on Lackawanna avenue.

A Patternmakers' union of the National League of America was organized last evening by Mr. Thomas last Saturday night.

Rich Treat Promised at the Academy of Music Tonight. Al G. Field's minstrel, which hold forth at the Academy of Music tonight, was seen at Wilkes-Barre Wednesday night and the News-Dealer of that city speaks as follows of it:

These days when minstrel managers are prone to give the public ordinary minstrel shows, it is a pleasure to chronicle the coming of one of our own city's pressario, who uses his best endeavors and spares neither time or pains to please his patrons with a clean, refined and thoroughly up-to-date performance. Such a man is Al G. Field, and such a performance did he and his merry company